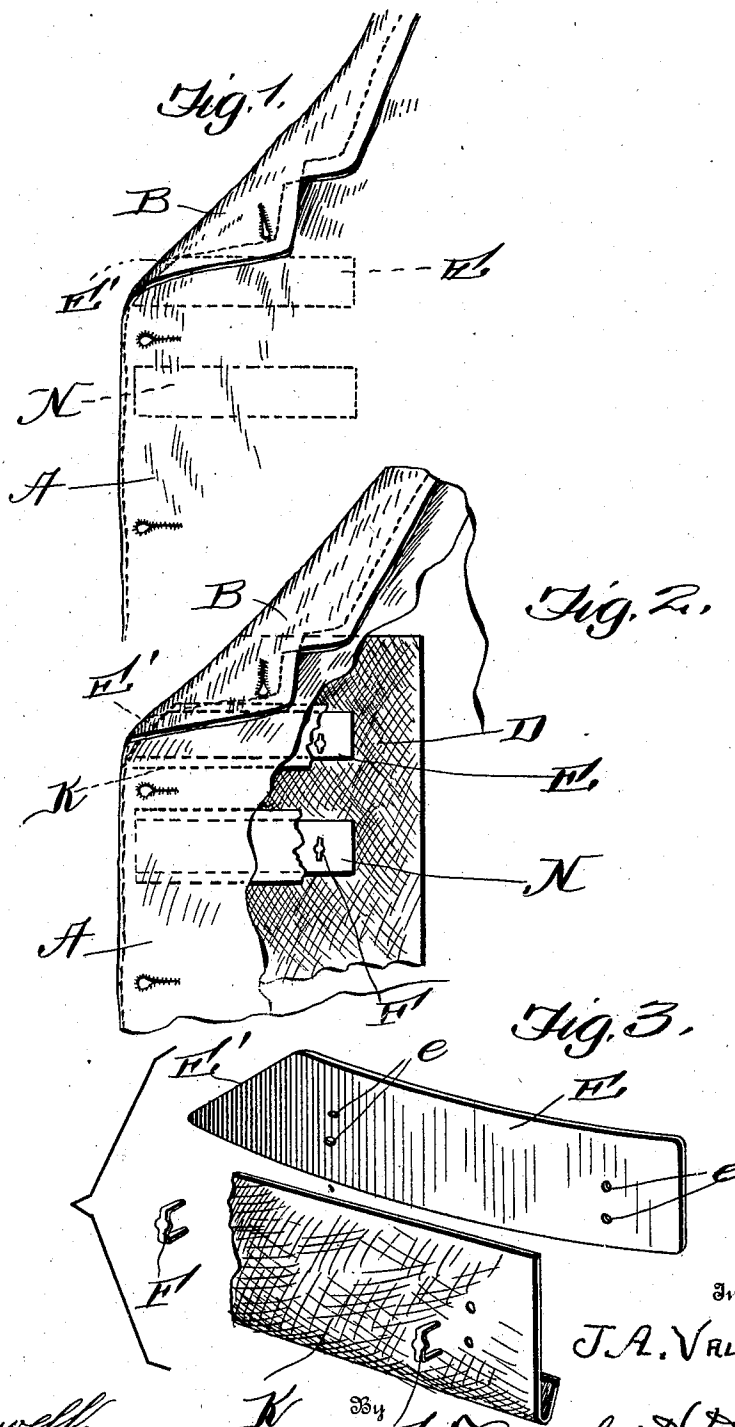


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES ARCHER VAUGHN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chanute, in the county of Neosho and State of Kansas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Stay-Plates for Coats, &c.; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to new and useful improvements in attachments to coats for the purpose of preventing the same from wrinkling, and comprises strips, preferably of celluloid, adapted to receive fastening devices which may be clenched to the canvas filling of the lining of a coat and so arranged and positioned that the lapels of the coat may be turned without interference with said strips.

My invention consists, further, in various details and combinations and arrangements of parts, which will be hereinafter fully described, and then specifically defined in the appended claim.

I illustrate my invention in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation showing one side of a coat with my improved strip fastened thereto. Fig. 2 is a similar view, a portion of the coat being broken away to better illustrate the details of the invention; and Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view showing the strip-fastening means and a cloth covering which is adapted to be fastened to the strip.

Reference now being had to the details of the drawings by letter, A designates a coat having the usual lapel B, and D designates a canvas filling which is usually employed in making coats and to which my strip is designed to be fastened.

E designates a strip, preferably of celluloid, one end of which, E', is diagonal and adapted to conform to the fold of the lapel, as shown clearly in the drawings. Said strip

of celluloid, which may be bent in any shape by heating, is apertured, as at e, to receive the arms of the fastening devices F, said arms being parallel, and after passing through the strip adapted to be clenched to the canvas filling, whereby the strip may be held in proper position. In order to obscure the strip E when it is used on lightweight materials, I prefer to cover the outer face thereof with a piece of cloth K, which is held to the strip and canvas filling by means of the fastening devices.

In Figs. 1 and 2 I have shown a second strip, (designated by letter N,) which is similar to the strip E, excepting that both ends are parallel and at right angles to the length of the strip, while the corners are slightly rounded. The forms of strip designated by letter N are adapted to be used below the lapels and for the purpose of holding the meeting edges of the coat in vertical lines and prevent sagging or wrinkling of the flaps of the coat.

By the provision of the strips as shown and described it will be noted that means is afforded for attachment to a coat already made by simply inserting the strips between the lining and the outer cloth and clenching the fasteners to the canvas filling and being obscured from sight will serve as means for preventing the flaps of the coat from wrinkling.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A device for preventing coats from wrinkling comprising a series of pockets fastened in parallel relation to each other and secured to the lining of a coat, a stiffening-strip held in each pocket with the opposite longitudinal edges of each strip in contact with the stitching at the edges of the pocket, and means for fastening each strip to the lining of the coat, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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